

[CfA] Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Korea Europe Center

The Institute of Korean Studies (IKS) at Freie Universität Berlin invites applications for a postdoctoral fellowship at the Korea-Europe Center. Applicants whose research focuses on (North and South) Korea-Europe relations and/or international relations are especially encouraged to apply.

Application Deadline: June 30, 2023

Areas: Social Sciences, Political Science, Cultural Studies

About the Korea Europe Center

The Korea-Europe Center, a joint project by the Institute of Korean Studies at Freie Universität Berlin and the KDI School of Public Policy and Management, is designed to provide educational opportunities for young scholars, acquiring in-depth knowledge and skills that cover a broad spectrum of Korean studies and enable a career in academia, business, media, international organizations, and interculturally oriented institutions. The project consists of diverse and innovative educational programs, such as a summer school in Korea, special lectures by renowned scholars, forums with experts of diverse fields and specific skills-based workshops.

Fellowship Grant

The fellowship covers 12 months with the possibility for an additional year extension if the criteria¹ are met. The fellowship stipends € 30,000 p.a. (health insurance not included).

The postdoctoral fellow will be provided with a shared office space and access to the libraries and resources of Freie Universität Berlin.

Fellowship Requirements

Residence in the Berlin area during the fellowship period is required. The fellow is expected to take on an active role in the Korea Europe Center's programs and activities, e.g., by organising events and workshops such as the Korea Europe-Center Special Lecture Series. Furthermore, submission of a working paper to *Korea Focus*² or the *Korea Europe Review*³ during the fellowship period is required. The paper should also be presented within the context of a public lecture held at the IKS. Finally, the fellow may have the opportunity to teach undergraduate courses.

¹ See "Fellowship Requirements" for exact criteria.

² *Korea Focus* is a working paper series published by the Institute of Korean Studies at Freie Universität Berlin. It serves as a platform for the timely dissemination of research results prior to a full article or book chapter stage and thereby to foster a comprehensive understanding of political, economic, and socio-cultural affairs on the Korean Peninsula and beyond. *Korea Focus* also aims to strengthen academic engagement with the Korean peninsula and broaden both, the scope of existing research and current discourse in Europe.

³ The *Korea Europe Review* (KER) is an interdisciplinary platinum open access, peer-reviewed journal specializing in Korean studies and encompassing the social sciences in a broad sense. While the primary focus is on the Korean peninsula, the journal's perspective aims to transcend the traditional boundaries of area studies in its mission to integrate scholarship on Korea in a multidimensional context of regional as well as global social, cultural and political discourse.

Eligibility and Application Submission

Applicants, who have received their PhD degree in Korean Studies/East Asian Studies or a related discipline (e.g., Political Science or Social Sciences with a focus on Korea) within five years of their application (2018 or later) but do not currently hold a regular faculty position, are eligible to apply. Applicants must demonstrate how their projects will benefit from a fellowship at the Korea Europe Center. Written and oral proficiency in English and Korean is expected. A basic command of German will be of benefit.

Application Documents (in English)

- A brief cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Research Proposal (max. 2000 words)
- Working paper/Article proposal for Korea Focus and/or Korea Europe Review (max. 2000 words)
- List of Publications
- At least one letter of recommendation (must be submitted directly by the referee to the email address provided below)
- Copy of your doctoral degree

Please submit your documents as a single PDF file to e.felsner@fu-berlin.de

The deadline for the application is June 30, 2023. Interviews will be conducted via video call.